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SUBJECT: HONDURAS- EL SALVADOR CONFLICT

1. GENERAL LOPEZ TOLD ME TODAY THAT ON FRIDAY (APRIL 6)
HE HAD AUTHORIZED FORMIN BATRES TO ENTER INTO " EXTRA-
OFFICIAL" ARRANGEMENTS WITH GOES FORMIN BORGONOVO FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF MIXED COMMISSIONS TO STUDY ON THE SPOT
THE VARIOUS SALIENTS OF TERRITORY STILL IN DISPUTE ALONG
THE HONDURAS- SALVADOR FRONTIER. THESE COMMISSIONS WOULD
APPARENTLY ACT UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE BILATERAL WORKING
GROUP WHICH WILL BE REACTIVATED.

2. THE GENERAL SEEMED QUITE RELAXED ABOUT ALL THIS AND
INDICATED THAT HE FELT THE TIME HAD COME TO TRY TO SETTLE
THE SALVADOR ISSUE ONCE AND FOR ALL. HOWEVER HE ALSO
MENTIONED THE FACT THAT SOMETHING WHICH COULD BE PRE-
SENTED TO THE HONDURAN PEOPLE AS AN AGREEMENT ON
ARBITRATION WOULD HAVE TO PRECEDE ANY FINAL PEACE
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